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SUBJECT: FRELIMO PRESIDENT LEAVES FOR CHINA AND NORTH KOREA

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1. FRELIMO PRESIDENT SAMORA MACHEL DEPARTED FEBRUARY 19
FOR CHINA (IC) AND NORTH KOREA (DPRK). HE IS ACCOMPANIED

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REPORTEDLY BY THIRTY-ONE MEMBER DELEGATION INCLUDING JORGE

REBELO, MEMBER FRELIMO CENTRAL AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE;
GIDEON NDOBE, MINEDUCATION AND CULTURE; JORGE TEMBE, SECSTATE
FOR AGRICULTURE; AND HELDER MARTINS, CHAIRMAN, COMMISSION FOR
REORGANIZATION OF HEALTH SERVICES.

2. ACCORDING TANGOV DAILY NEWS FEBRUARY 20, MACHEL SAID AT
AIRPORT PRIOR TO DEPARTURE THAT FRELIMO IS DEEPLY INVOLVED AT
PRESENT IN CONSOLIDATING IDEOLOGICAL UNITY AMONG PEOPLE IN
MOZAMBIQUE IN ORDER TO ACCELERATE SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
OF NATION. HE SAID MOZAMBIQUE HAD ADOPTED A STRONG POLICY OF
ANTI-IMPERIALISM "BECAUSE WE ARE SURE THAT BY COMPLETELY DOING
AWAY WITH IMPERIALIST ATTITUDES AND VALUES OUR PEOPLE WILL BE
ABLE TO WORK WITH VIGOR AND DETERMINATION FOR THE WELL BEING
OF THE NATION AS A WHOLE."

3. COMMENTING ON TRIP TO CHINA AND NORTH KOREA, MACHEL SAID
TWO COUNTRIES HAD CLEARLY IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES WITH LIBERATION
STRUGGLE IN MOZAMBIQUE. "OUR INTENTION IS NOW TO STRENGTHEN
THE RELATIONS AND EXPERIENCES WHICH WE GATHERED DURING THE DAYS
OF ARMED STRUGGLE. AT PRESENT WE ARE GOING TO CHINA AND
KOREA TO ESTABLISH RELATIONS AT GOVERNMENT LEVEL. OUR FORMER
RELATIONS WERE MERELY AT PARTY LEVEL."

4. COMMENT: NOTABLY ABSENT FROM DELEGATION IS FRELIMO VP AND
IDEOLOGUE MARCELINO DOS SANTOS. WE ASSUME HE HAS STAYED BEHIND
TO KEEP EYE ON FRELIMO HEADQUARTERS HERE.
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